

Amendment No. 1 to HB1254

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 1361**

**House Bill No. 1254\***

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-33-217(a), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting:

Upon entering an order that includes a return of property, in whole or in part, the administrative law judge or the court shall also include an award of reasonable attorney's fees against the seizing agency subject to the limits in subsection (c).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-33-217(c), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting:

An award of reasonable attorney's fees under this section shall not exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). Failure to submit documentation of an attorney's time and expenses must result in no attorney's fee being awarded.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.